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TITLE : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DRYING BOOK AND SIMILAR

PAPER-BASED MATERIALS

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the First Office Action dated September 21, 2004, please amend the above-identified Patent Application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on Page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 3 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 5 of this document.

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